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POULTRY DRUNK SIX DAYS A WEEK  
An Oban newspaper gives the following report of a very extraordinary case:

stant, is published a new code of municipal rules and regulations made by the Senate at its ordinary session on the 4th November last and approved by the Provincial Government on the 13th December. The present set of regulations is in succession of the one made in April 1872, thus is, 24 years ago; and though the old rules have from time to time been altered and amended it has not been thought necessary until now to put together the various amendments along with the original rules so that in compiling the present code opportunity has also been taken to revise the old code and bring it in line with the actual requirements of the city, which, as we know, are many. Besides, the compilation has the further advantage of affording facility for ready reference to those whose duties require them to be posted up in the letter of the law in respect of municipal affairs in the Holy City.

The code of sanitary laws now before us consists of 267 articles and 5 schedules divided into 208 different sections relating to the following matters, viz. :—

- 1.—The construction, reconstruction and demolition of buildings.
- The section covers 17 articles, the most important of which is the prohibition of blind alleys, and the provision against lanes being of smaller width than 6 metres.
- 2.—The exterior adorning of buildings is provided for by 7 articles :—  
Sunshades projecting from the exterior walls of houses, or other covering over courtyards and backyards are prohibited under penalty of a fine of \$3. Article 25 (the last of this section) is an attempt at restricting the construction of buildings of purely Chinese design in certain districts of the city.
- 3.—The protection of life and property.—This section contains only 7 articles none of which are of any importance.
- 4.—Chinese ceremonies regulated by article 24, or the Chinese lunerals to take place outside the 'Barrier.'
- 5.—The cleaning and maintenance of roads and streets :—  
By far the largest portion of the code deals with this section.—The prohibition of public thoroughfares by hawkers, &c., the usual prohibition against the interference with public traffic, and furious driving so as to endanger life and limb are the main features of this section.
- 6.—Private vehicles and chairs, &c.
- 7.—Public vehicles.
- 8.—Chairs for hire.
- 9.—Trucks and other wheeled vehicles for hire.—
- Provision for the proper maintenance and regulation of 6, 7, 8, and 9 is made by articles 51 to 73 inclusive.
- 10.—Public Lighting.
- 11.—Decorum.
- 12.—Public peace.
- 13.—Public order and public security.

boards, public notices, &c.  
16.—Pawnbrokers, Hawkers, Money-changers and Auctioneers :—  
Instead of a fixed yearly fee the latter are required to pay a duty of 2 per cent on the gross proceeds of every sale to be paid into the provincial treasury within 5 days of the day of sale.  
10.—Weights and Measures.  
17.—In cases of Fire :—  
Fines of from \$2 to \$10 shall be incurred by persons guilty of a violation of fire laws and fines of from \$3 to \$10 may be inflicted upon persons, who, knowing of the existence of any fire, do not communicate such knowledge to the nearest police or telegraph station.  
18.—Removal of fiscal matters, and  
19.—Removal of house refuse and other sanitary measures.  
It is well that these all-important matters, in a city built and occupied for so long a time past comparatively free from filth, and comparatively free from the odious and disgusting habit of Chinamen of China, without due appreciation of cleanliness, have received the proper attention of the municipal commissioners: for a large number of articles (Nos. 129 to 137 inclusive) is devoted to these questions. The ruling upon the resumption and re-laying by the Macao Government of the pest breeding grounds of Violon and other notoriously filthy districts in

The Leal Senado to co-operate in placing the same animals in the neighbouring Colony on a suitable factory footing. Among several very useful measures well-calculated to effect the object in view, we notice that article 133, § 2<sup>a</sup>, provides for the removal, at the times of day, in approved public places, of fiscal matters from market buyers after they have been disinfected with some suitable deodorant.

20.—Scale of Food and Drinks.

21.—Cattle-sheds, Slaughter-house :—Articles 128 and 129 are inserted for regulating the slaughtering of animals for human food and they do not differ materially from those ordinarily in vogue in all European cities.

22.—Milk, Bread, Fruit, Restaurants, &c.—The supervision of the management and sanitary condition of hake-houses appears to have been altogether overlooked, and it may be well that the preparation of such an important article of food be placed under the immediate control of the municipal authorities.

23.—Public markets :—The establishment of markets other than those licensed by the Leal Senado is subject to a penalty of \$20.

24.—Animals :—The manner in which carcasses of animals are to be disposed of is indicated in articles 182, 183, 184 and 185.

25.—Private sheds for the housing of cattle and swine are not allowed unless previously licensed.

26.—General provisions relating principally to the carrying out of the provisions of the Code and the penalties for infringement thereof.

Schedule A.—Scale of fares for chairs :—  
10 cents per hour.  
£1.00 for 12 hours.

Schedule B.—Scale of fares for rickshaws :—  
5 cents per hour.

Schedule C.—Fees for the erection of temporary sheds on public roads.

Schedule D.—Fees for hawkers &c., licensees.

Schedule E.—Proscribed weights for bread-loaves.

**MACAO NOTES.**

**IMPORTANT REVISION OF SANITARY AND MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS.**

(From a Correspondent.)

In a supplement to the Official Bulletin of the 2nd January, issued on the 6th instant, is published a new code of municipal rules and regulations made by the Council at its ordinary session on the 4th November last and approved by the Provincial Government on the 19th December. The present set of regulations is in supersession of the one made in April 1872, and 24 years ago; and though the old rules are from time to time being altered and amended it has not been thought necessary until now to put together the various amendments along with the original rules, so that in compiling the present code of regulations has been taken to revise the old code and bring it in line with the actual requirements of the city, which, as the years are many. Besides, the compilation as the further advantage of affording a ready reference to those whose duties require them to be posted up in the matter of the law in respect of municipalities in the Holy City.

The code of sanitary laws now before us consists of 207 articles and 5 schedules divided into 26 different sections relating to the following matters, viz. :—

—The construction, reconstruction and demolition of buildings :—

The section covers 17 articles, the most important of which is the prohibition of blind alleys, and the provision against lanes being of smaller width than 6 metres.

—The exterior adornment of buildings :—

Sunshades projecting from the exterior walls of houses, or other covering over courtyards and backyards are prohibited under penalty of a fine of \$3. Article 25 (the last of this section) attempts at restricting the construction of buildings to purely Chinese design in certain districts of the city.

—The protection of life and property :—

This section contains only 7 articles none of which are of any importance.

—Public nuisances regulated by article 34 only, and the attempt to restrict the place outside the 'Barrier.'

—The cleansing and maintenance of roads and streets :—

By far the largest portion of the code deals with this section. The prohibition of the use of handcarts, hawkers, &c., the usual prohibitions against the interference with public traffic, and furious driving so as to endanger life and limb are the main features of this section.

—Private vehicles and chairs, &c.

—Public hire.

—Trucks and other wheeled vehicles for hire :—

Provision for the proper maintenance and regulation of 6, 7, 8 and 9.

—Public Lighting.

—Doorman.

—Public peace.

—Tombstones, fountains and public gardens.

—Telegraph and telephone lines, signboards, public notices, &c.

—Pawnbrokers, Hawkers, Money-changers and Auctioneers :—

Instead of a fixed yearly fee the latter are required to pay a duty of 2 c. on the gross proceeds of every sale to be paid into the provincial treasury within 5 days of the day of sale.

—Weights and Measures.

—In cases of fire :—

By article 130 from \$2 to \$10 shall be incurred for every pound of false alarums of fire, and fines of from \$3 to \$10 may be inflicted upon persons, who, knowing of the existence of any fire, do not communicate such knowledge to the nearest police or telegraph station.

—Removal of faecal matters, and

—Removal of house refuse and other sanitary measures.

It is well that these all-important matters, in a city built and occupied for so long a time as a comparatively large number of Chinese without due appreciation of cleanliness, have received the proper attention of the municipal commissioners : for—

—A large number of articles (Nos. 128 to 157 inclusive) is devoted to these two questions.

—Following upon the resumption and re-laying by the Macao Government of the pestiferous breeding grounds of *Vulom* and other notoriously filthy districts in 1895, his pleading to note the efforts of the Sanitary Commission in planning the sanitary condition of the neighboring Colony on a satisfactory footing. Among several very useful measures well-calculated to effect the object in view, we noticed the following :—

—Articles 128 to 138, 2 c. provided for the removal, three times a day, in approved trucks, of all faecal matters from public latrines after they have been disinfected with some suitable deodorant.

—Articles 139 to 140, 2 c. provided for the removal of refuse.

—Articles 141 to 146 are here inserted for regulating the slaughtering, &c., of animals for human food and they do not differ materially from those ordinarily in vogue in all European cities.

—Milk, Bread, Fruit Restaurants, regulated by 5 articles :—

The supervision of the management and sanitary condition of bake-houses appears to have been altogether overlooked in it may be well that the preparation of such an important article of food be placed under the immediate control of the municipal authorities.

—Public markets :—

The regulation of markets other than those licensed by the *Leal Senado* is subject to a penalty of \$20.

—Animals :—

The manner in which carcasses of animals are to be disposed of is indicated in articles 158, 159 and 165.

—Private sheds for the housing of cattle and swine are not allowed unless previously licensed.

—General provisions relating principally to the carrying out of the provisions laid down in the penalties for infringement thereof.

Schedule 1.—Scale of fares for chairs :—

10 cents per hour.

Schedule 2.—Scale of fares for rickshaws :—

\$1.00 for 12 hours.

Schedule 3.—Fees for the erection of temporary sheds on public places :—

5 cents per hour.

Schedule 4.—Fees for hawkers, &c., licenses :—

10 cents.

Schedule 5.—Prescribed weights for bread :—

1500 grams.

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The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide the following is to be added to the tide given, on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, and 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

13th to 19th January.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Date.	Day of Month.	Mean Time.	Height.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Date.	Day of Month.
Wed.	19	h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.	Thurs.	20
		4 40	5 10	h m	5 36		
		4 50	5 10				
Fri.	24	No inferior	high	low	low		
		4 50	5 10	h m	5 36		
Tue.	15	No inferior	high	low	low		
		4 50	5 10	h m	5 36		

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22	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
23	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
24	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
25	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
26	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
27	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
28	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
29	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
30	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
31	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
32	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
33	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
34	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
35	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
36	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
37	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
38	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
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44	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
45	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
46	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
47	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
48	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
49	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
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51	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
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53	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
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56	m	10	2	m	1	2	8	m	10	2	8
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